BEFORE THE

WASHINGTON METROPOLITAN AREA TRANSIT COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D. C.

ORDER NO. 33

Served July 11, 1961

IN THE MATTER OF:

Proposed Conversion of)	
Remaining Rail Lines to)	WMATC Application No. 136
Bus Operations by)	
D. C. Transit, Inc.	

On January 30, 1961, D. C. Transit, Inc., requested of the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission authority to convert the four (4) remaining car lines to bus operations on or before June 7, 1962.

The District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission held a formal hearing on April 10-11, 1961, upon the aforementioned request of D. C. Transit, Inc., and on June 21, 1961, issued its "Report and Decision" in Order No. 4760, authorizing the conversion of its remaining four (4) car lines to bus operations, and at the same time imposed certain terms and conditions as a prerequisite to conversion. The "Report and Decision" stipulated that an appropriate order would be "entered upon receipt by the Commission of satisfactory proof that the terms and conditions referred to above have been complied with by the Company."

On June 22, 1961, D. C. Transit, Inc., by letter, notified the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission that it was withdrawing its application of January 30, 1961. The District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission, by letter dated June 28, 1961, refused to accept the request of D. C. Transit, Inc., to withdraw its application. On June 26, 1961, D. C. Transit, Inc., filed a petition with the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission requesting authority from this Commission to convert the Mt. Pleasant streetcar line and the Eleventh Street Streetcar line to bus operations. In its petition, the Company agreed to acquire seventy-five (75) new air-conditioned buses with a seating capacity of fifty-one (51) persons per bus.

At a meeting, held on July 10, 1961, the Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Commission decided to assume jurisdiction over the conversion case. In assuming jurisdiction over this case, this Commission recognizes the validity of the "Report and Decision," as contained in Order No. 4760, issued by the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission on June 21, 1961. This Commission treats the petition filed with this Commission on June 26, 1961, requesting authority to convert its Mt. Pleasant and Eleventh Street car lines to bus operations as the first step toward implementing the "Report and Decision" of the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission. Any objections to the terms and conditions imposed by the "Report and Decision" of the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission, as a prerequisite to complete conversion, must be filed with this Commission.

WHEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED:

- (1) That the petition, including the terms and conditions included therein, of D. C. Transit, Inc., dated June 26, 1961, requesting authority to convert its Mt. Pleasant line and Eleventh Street line from streetcar to bus operations be, and the same is, hereby approved as the first step toward complete conversion as provided in this Order.
- (2) That D. C. Transit, Inc., submit to the Commission on or before December 1, 1961, additional plans for total conversion from streetcar to bus operations, such conversion to be completed on or before June 1, 1962.

by direction of the commission

DELMER ISON

Executive Director